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# ORGANIZATION OF WORK OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

Note by the Secretariat

1. The annex to the present note is a draft of the proposed programme of work of the Third Committee for the fiftieth session.

2. A more detailed programme of work will be issued after the meeting of the General Committee where the allocation of agenda items to the Main Committees will be determined.

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Annex

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Draft proposed programme of work for the fiftieth session

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| Election of the Chairman<br><br>(Plenary of the General Assembly) | |
| 29 September<br><br>Election of the Bureau and organization of work | |
| Week of 2-6 October<br><br>Item 105<br><br>Elimination of racism and racial discrimination | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3)<br><br>Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (A/50/18)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General containing proposals to supplement the Programme of Action for the Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance |

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| Item 106<br><br>Right of peoples to self-determination | Report of the Secretary-General<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the question of the use of mercenaries |
| Week of 9-13 October<br><br>Item 107<br><br>Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General containing the interim report on the world social situation (A/50/84-E/1995/12)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the conceptual framework of a programme for the preparation and observance of the International Year of Older Persons in 1999 (A/50/114)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on progress made and problems encountered in the struggle against illiteracy: a mid-decade review (A/50/181-E/1995/65)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the International Year of the Family<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons and the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of the implementation of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities |

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| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the final draft world programme of action for youth to the year 2000 and beyond<br><br>Report of the World Summit for Social Development (A/CONF.166/9)<br><br>Letter dated 28 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/156)<br><br>Letter dated 25 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/163)<br><br>Letter dated 8 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/215-S/1995/475)<br><br>Letter dated 19 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/254-S/1995/501) |
| Week of 16-20 October a/<br><br>Item 108<br><br>Crime prevention and criminal justice | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on progress in the implementation of the strengthening of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Naples Political Declaration and Global Action Plan against Organized Transnational Crime |

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| | Report of the Secretary-General on the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders<br><br>Report of the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (A/CONF.169/16)<br><br>Letter dated 19 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/254-S/1995/501) |
| Item 110<br><br>International drug control | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Global Programme of Action<br><br>Letter dated 2 March 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/89)<br><br>Letter dated 13 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/95-E/1995/17)<br><br>Letter dated 8 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/215-S/1995/475) |
| Week of 30 October-3 November<br><br>Item 109<br><br>Advancement of women | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3)<br><br>Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (A/50/38) |

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| | Report of the Secretary-General on improvement of the situation of women in rural areas (A/50/257/Rev.1-E/1995/61/Rev.1) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (A/50/346) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed merger of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and the United Nations Development Fund for Women |
| | Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed merger of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and the United Nations Development Fund for Women |
| | Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, including the integration of older women in development |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on violence against women migrant workers |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on traffic in women and girl-children |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat |

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| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women<br><br>Letter dated 16 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/110)<br><br>Letter dated 25 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/163)<br><br>Letter dated 8 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/215-S/1995/475) |
| <u>Week of 6-10 November</u><br><br><u>Item 111</u><br><br>Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3)<br><br>Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/50/12)<br><br>Report of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the High Commissioner (A/50/12/Add.1)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to unaccompanied refugee minors<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on consideration and review of the problems of refugees, returnees, displaced persons and related migratory movements<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa |

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| | Letter dated 10 July 1995 from the Permanent Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/275-S/1995/555) |
| Item 112<br><br>Promotion and protection of the rights of children | Report of the Secretary-General on the study of the situation of children in armed conflicts<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on concrete measures that have been taken to alleviate the situation of children in armed conflicts<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography<br><br>Letter dated 25 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/163)<br><br>Letter dated 8 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/215-S/1995/475) |
| Week of 13-17 November<br><br>Item 113<br><br>Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People | Report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive programme of action for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People |
| Item 114<br><br>Human rights questions | Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3) |

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| | Letter dated 27 January 1995 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/76)<br><br>Letter dated 10 February 1995 from the Permanent Representatives of Kazakstan and the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/83)<br><br>Letter dated 28 March 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/130)<br><br>Letter dated 4 April 1995 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/131)<br><br>Letter dated 13 April 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/138-S/1995/299)<br><br>Letter dated 12 April 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Estonia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/139)<br><br>Letter dated 27 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/169-S/1995/343)<br><br>Letter dated 8 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/215-S/1995/475)<br><br>Letter dated 19 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/254-S/1995/501) |

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| | Letter dated 30 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/267) |
| Item 114 (a)<br><br>Implementation of human rights instruments | Report of the Human Rights Committee (A/50/40)<br><br>Report of the Committee against Torture (A/50/44)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Covenants on Human Rights<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the sixth meeting of persons chairing human rights treaty bodies<br><br>Letter dated 30 January 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/75-E/1995/10)<br><br>Letter dated 1 February 1995 from the Permanent Representative of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/78-E/1995/11)<br><br>Letter dated 8 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/93-E/1995/16)<br><br>Letter dated 24 March 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/122-E/1995/18) |

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| | Letter dated 18 April 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/160)<br><br>Letter dated 25 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/164) |
| Item 114 (b)<br><br>Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms | Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/50/36)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on human rights and mass exoduses<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on respect for the principles of national sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States in their electoral processes<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening of United Nations action in the human rights field through the promotion of international cooperation and the importance of non-selectivity, impartiality and objectivity<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the right to development<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on human rights and terrorism<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the principle of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to States in the strengthening of the rule of law |

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| | Report of the Secretary-General on the strengthening of the Centre for Human Rights<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on the elimination of all forms of religious intolerance<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the geographical composition and functions of the staff of the Centre for Human Rights<br><br>Letter dated 28 December 1994 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/57)<br><br>Letter dated 5 February 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/80)<br><br>Letter dated 28 April 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/173)<br><br>Letter dated 22 May 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/188) |
| Item 114 (c)<br><br>Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the tenth periodic report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (A/50/69-S/1995/79)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on the media of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (A/50/71-S/1995/80) |

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| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the periodic report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (A/50/287-S/1995/575)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the periodic report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (A/50/296-S/1995/597)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Myanmar<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Kosovo<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on rape and abuse of women in the areas of armed conflict in the former Yugoslavia (A/50/329)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Representative on assistance to the Cambodian Government in the promotion and protection of human rights<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Cuba<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in southern Lebanon and the Western Bekaa<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Representative on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Haiti<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan |

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| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan<br><br>Letter dated 28 December 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/57)<br><br>Letter dated 9 January 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/61-S/1995/16)<br><br>Letter dated 7 February 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/81)<br><br>Letter dated 7 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/92-E/1995/15)<br><br>Letter dated 20 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/96)<br><br>Letter dated 9 May 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/17[illegible])<br><br>Letter dated 16 May 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/183)<br><br>Letter dated 1 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/207)<br><br>Letter dated 14 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/220) |

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| | Letter dated 30 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/268)<br><br>Letter dated 14 August 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/354-S/1995/696)<br><br>Letter dated 18 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/358-S/1995/712) |
| Item 114 (d)<br><br>Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action | Report of the Secretary-General<br><br>Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/50/36) |
| Week of 20-24 November<br><br>Item 114 | |
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| Item 12<br><br>Report of the Economic and Social Council | Relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1995 (A/50/3) |
| Action on all outstanding draft proposals | |
| Conclusion of the work of the Third Committee | |

a/ There will be no meetings of the Third Committee during the fiftieth anniversary observance from 23 to 25 October. On 26 and 27 October, the Plenary will observe the tenth anniversary of the International Youth Year and will consider the world programme of action for youth to the year 2000 and beyond.